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**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 1711**

Our Case No. 659/1531 (K-C 14996B)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Wang et al. )  
Application No. 09/753,077 )  
Filing Date: March 12, 2001 )  
For WATER-RESPONSIVE )  
BIODEGRADABLE POLYMER )  
COMPOSITIONS AND METHOD )  
OF MAKING SAME )  
Examiner Jeffrey Mullis  
Group Art Unit No. 1711

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 22, 2004, please reconsider the application in view of the attached Terminal Disclaimer.